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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: OXCART Pilot Recruitment and Training

1. At a meeting convened by the Acting Chief, DPD on 16 January 1961, the qualification criteria for OXCART pilot recruitment were reconfirmed and disseminated per OXC 1226, dated 16 January 1961. It was understood that General Flickenger and Colonel Geary would undertake a rescreening of pilot files whereby early identification of necessary pilot nominees would be realized.

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2. On 31 January 1961, Mr. Paragosky convened a meeting for the purpose of discussing the administrative handling of OXCART pilots once identified (OXC 1273, dated 30 January 1961). [redacted] presented the OXCART Pilot Phasing Plan to be used as a guide in pilot programming. A copy of this plan is included as Attachment #1.

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3. A review of the Pilot Phasing Plan serves to stress the urgency for immediate identification of pilot nominees and the early development of necessary policies and procedures for pilot handling. The initial group of pilots must be available for security assessment by 1 April 1961.

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Chief, Operations Branch, DPD-DD/P

Attachment - 1
As noted above

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